



Placer County Health and Human Services Department

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RE: Aboveground Petroleum Storage Tanks

Dear owners/operators:

According to our information, your facility contains one or more aboveground petroleum storage tanks that meet the storage capacity required for regulation by our department.

As of January 1, 2008, the Certified Unified Program Agencies (CUPAs) were vested with the responsibility and authority to implement and enforce the requirements of Chapter 6.67 of the California Health and Safety Code (the Aboveground Petroleum Storage Act (APSA)).

The APSA was enacted to protect the State's people and natural resources from aboveground petroleum storage tank spills. Facilities storing petroleum in aboveground tanks with a capacity greater than 1,320 gallons or the total capacity for the facility greater than 1,320 gallons are subject to the Act. An aboveground storage tank is a tank or container that has the capacity to store 55 gallons or more of petroleum and that is substantially or totally above the surface of the ground.

Placer County Environmental Health (PCEH) will begin inspection of aboveground storage tanks (ASTs) for compliance on or after July 1, 2010. **At this time we are requesting owners/operators to complete the enclosed Aboveground Storage Tank application and submit the completed form to our office on or before June 30, 2010.**

Owners or operators of aboveground tanks subject to the APSA are also required to prepare and implement a Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan in accordance with U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 40, part 112 and conduct periodic inspections to assure compliance with CFR Title 40, part 112.

Due to the changes and new regulations of APSA, we realize there are many areas in which you will be asking for clarification. Our goal is to educate and work with your business in order to implement the requirements of APSA. PCEH will be offering three workshops dedicated to navigating through the APSA regulations. Their dates, times, and locations are listed at the end of this letter.

These three hour workshops will identify and help clarify key requirements pertaining to Aboveground Storage Tank regulations and your facility, and will provide an opportunity to ask questions. PCEH invites you, your representatives and/or other employees from your business to attend one of these workshops.

Workshops will be held at the following locations and times:

AUBURN
(Class size limited to 50)

Thursday, April 29th
8:30am to 11:30am

OR Thursday, April 29th
4pm to 7pm

Community Development Resources Agency Bldg. Cypress Room
3091 County Center Drive, Auburn 95603
Corner of Bell Rd and Richardson Dr. In the Dewitt Center

TAHOE
(Class size limited to 25)
Thursday, May 6th
9am to 12pm
TART Conference Room
870 Cabin Creek Rd.
Truckee, CA 96161

Please contact either Danelle Ellis or Virginia Lineberry at (530) 745-2368 to reserve your seat at these workshops.

For additional information about APSA and SPCC plans, see the enclosed informational flyer and/or visit our website at: http://www.placer.ca.gov/Departments/hhs/env_health